THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) Government of Bihar have informed that no survey has been conducted by them.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government of Bihar have informed that at present they are utilising their resources for developing places of the Buddhist interest and due to paucity of funds, they are unable to consider development of places mentioned in part (a) of the Question.

PRODUCTION OF COAL

946. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the labour productivity in terms of output per man shift (OMS) of the Coal India Limited (CIL), its subsidiaries and the Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) for 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) whether the productivity of open cast mines has been increasing over the years whereas the productivity of underground mines has almost remained static and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) wheher the scope of improving productivity of underground mines is there; and

(d) the production performance of subsidiaries of the Coal India Limited showing production of each company from open cast mines and underground mines, separately, during 1989-90 and 1990-91 ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) The information is given below :—

(in tonnes)

Company	OMS								
	1988-89			1989-90			1990-91		
	UG	OC	Over-all	UG	OC	Over-all	UG	OC	Over all
ECL	0.48	1.99	0.73	0.43	1.52	0.61	0.41	1.57	0.61
BCCL	0.53	1.99	0.79	0.48	1.91	0.76	0.46	1.91	0.79
CCL	0.42	1.72	1.14	0.45	1.82	1.20	0.44	1.97	1.31
NCL	—	8.18	8.18	—	8.76	8.76	—	8.80	8.80
WCL	0.71	3.60	1.24	0.70	3.84	1.31	0.66	3.51	1.25
SECL	0.77	5.38	1.77	0.79	6.35	1.99	0.79	7.58	2.24
NEC	0.50	2.00	0.86	0.41	2.39	0.79	0.40	1.69	0.63
CIL	0.57	2.88	1.17	0.55	3.08	1.21	0.54	3.34	1.31
SCCL	0.76	5 18	0.96	0.71	5.46	0.99	0.65	4.76	0.96

(b) The productivity in underground mines has been stagnant due to non-achievement of targetted production from manual|mechanised Board and Pillar workings and longwall faces. In case of some of the underground mines there is also problem of surplus labour.

(c) Yes, Sir. Some of the steps already initiated towards improvement in productivity of underground mines inter alia include introduction of semi-mechanised drilling and blasting operations, mechanised loading of coal and introduction of new technologies like power support longwall

mining, gallary blasting and sub level caving techniques etc. Besides, efforts are being made to bring about general overall improvement in the underground mining condition by introduction of better communications, manriding system etc.

(d) The information is as under :—

(million tonnes)

Company	Coal Production During					
	1989-90			1990-91		
	UG	OC	Total	UG	OC	Total
ECL	14.72	9.77	24.49	13.39	10.08	23.47
BCCL	13.29	13.32	26.61	12.03	14.67	26.70
CCL	4.76	23.85	28.61	4.31	25.74	30.05
NCL	—	23.28	23.28	—	27.88	27.88
WCL	9.94	13.07	23.01	9.72	13.06	22.78
SECL	15.65	36.13	51.78	16.04	42.04	58.08
EC	0.34	0.50	0.84	0.35	0.33	0.68
Total CIL	58.70	119.92	178.62	55.84	133.80	189.64

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PRICES AND POSITION OF PIT-HEAD COAL STOCKS OF CIL AND SCCL

947. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the position of pit-head coal stocks of the Coal India Limited (CIL) and the Singareni Collieries Companies Limited (SCCL) respectively as on April 1, 1989, April 1, 1990 and April 1, 1991;

(b) the dates of revision of price of the average pit-head coal by the Coal India Limited during the period beginning from January 1988 and the dates of revision in SCCL during the same period;

(c) whether revision of coal prices was due to continuing losses incurred and cost escalation of components in unit-cost production of coal; and

(d) the status of cumulative losses at the end of 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 pertaining to the Coal India Limited and the Singareni Collieries Company Limited ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) The position in respect of the pit-head coal stock of Coal India Limited (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) is given as under : —

(lakh tonnes)

Company	Pit-head stock as on		
	1-4-1989	1-4-1990	1-4-1991
CIL	330.93	366.25	415.74
SCCL	4.97	5.79	7.30